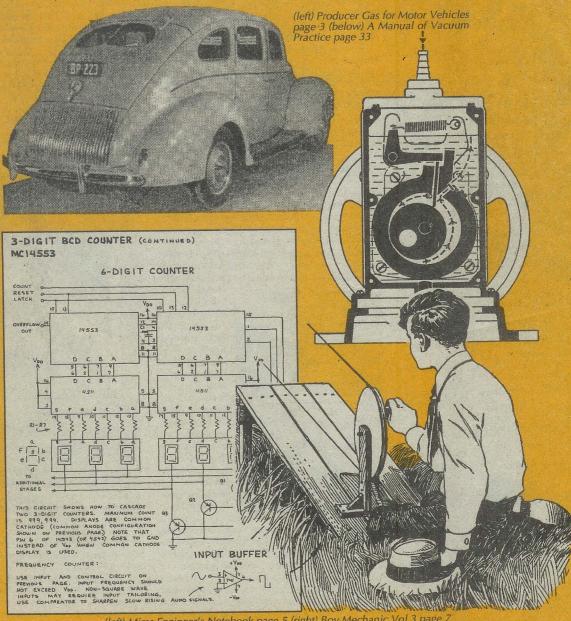
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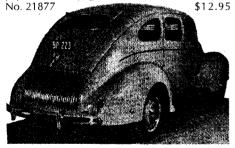


Fig. 14. FORD V8 CAR WITH GAS PRODUCER FITTED IN THE BODY WORK

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...In the year 1860 Lenoir invented the first successful gas engine, which operated on coal gas. This gas was expensive and required large equipment for its manufacture. The natural outcome of this was the introduction of a system whereby large quantities of gas could be made quickly, with comparatively small equipment and from low-priced fuels such as coke, charcoal, wood etc. The gas producer satisfied all of these points and so was slowly introduced.

Among the earliest recorded gas producers. were those of Birchof (1839) and the Siemens brothers (1857). It is probable that both these plants were of the pressure type. The first suction gas producer was invented by Dr Jacques Arbos of Barcolona in 1862.

Barcelona in 1862. The history of

The history of the motor car itself extends back little farther than the beginning of this century, and the history of the gas producer as ap-macrital plied to the motor vehicle MERY almost as far.

Between the years 1900-1903 an Englishman named Parker drove first a 2 1/2 h.p. and later a 25 h.p. motor car over a distance of 1000 miles with results not wholly unsuccessful.

When the 1914-1918 war broke out the mobile gas producer had not reached the stage where it was even with more considered as a substitute for petrol.

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With the onset of the economic depression in Australia in 1929 and the sudden rise in the price of petrol, due to a combination of increases in duty and tax and to the adversely altered exchange value of Australian currency, a new interest in the gas producer for motor vehicles was aroused, more particularly in South Australia and Western Australia.

By 1930-1931 a number of plants had been fitted to tractors and trucks and even a few cars. These plants were experimental and usually very cumbersome.

With an improvement economic conditions and a fall in the retail price of petrol in the years 1933-1935 interest in the gas producer waned to a considerable extent. This comparative lack of interest continued until the outbreak of the present war when producer gas began to hold unparalleled interest for all owners of petrol-driven vehicles, and indeed for the community in general.

The modern gas producer is made up of three distinct elements, the efficient functioning of each being the deciding factor in the results achieved by

the plant as a whole. These elements

1. The generator in-which the fuel is burnt to produce the gas ultimately used in the engine. This is usually a cylindrical or rectangular metal container holding the fuel and into which air is admitted by means of either a grate or tuyere.

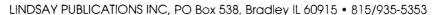
2. A scrubbing or cleaning element which removes from the gas any of the impurities it may contain. The means of achieving this result are either dry or liquid cleaners, or in some cases a filter through which the gas is drawn.

3. A cooler or radiator. As the gas is generated from the fuel by means of a fire, the temperature of which is very high, it

will have a correspondingly high temperature which results in a loss of engine power if it is not first cooled down to a temperature of about 130° F. This is done in the cooler, or radiator as it is often called, by passing the gas through a number of pipes which are air-cooled.

In addition to the units just mentioned there must be some apparatus in which the producer gas and air mix to form a combustible mixture....

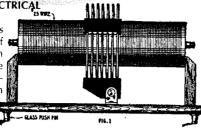
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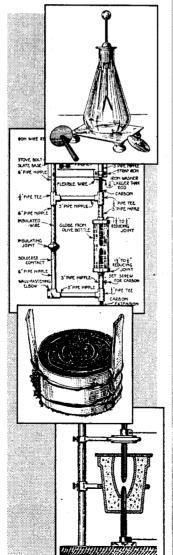


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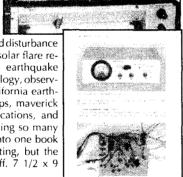


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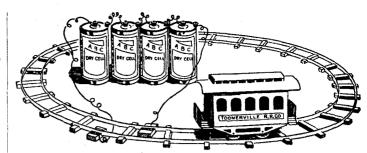
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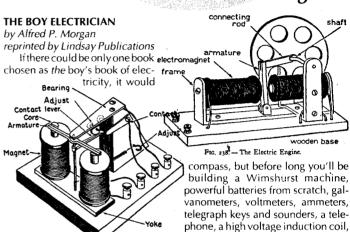
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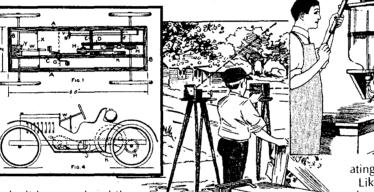


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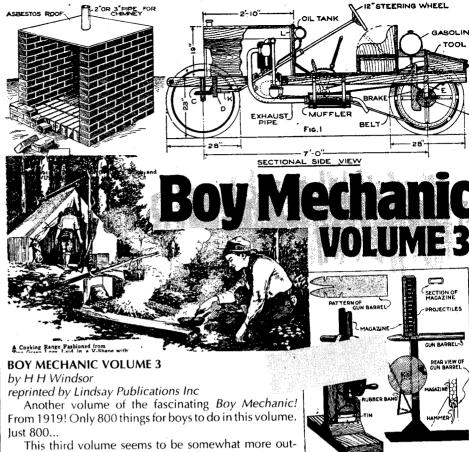
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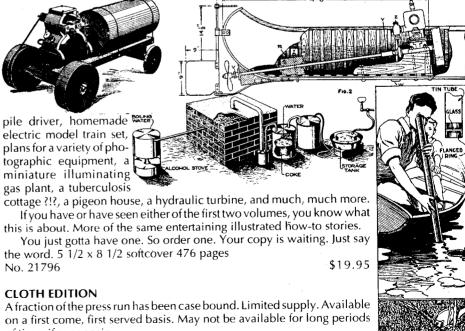
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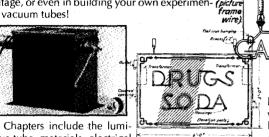
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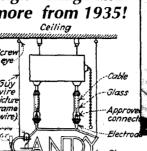
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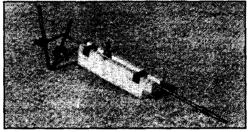


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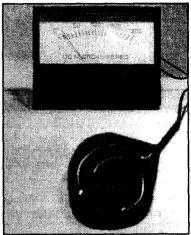
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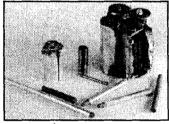
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by Don Meador

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give off enormous heat, blinding visible and ultraviolet light, and produce some really nasty toxic gases like ozone.

Carbon arcs are being phased out of

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Meador has already written a booklet for building a carbon arc torch. Carbon rods are becoming hard to find. Here the author will show you how to extract carbon rods from used batteries, remove the chemicals, and insert it into a thin-wall brass tube to improve its operation.

The salvaged carbon rods are actually more graphite than pure carbon, so they have other applications as well. Meador is a graduate electrical engineer with a intense interest in metal working. It's quite possible in the future we'll see plans for carbon arc lights and a steel-melting furnace.

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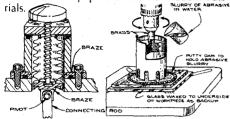
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tions, and more. This is modern hi-tech stuff. IC's and transistors are fabricated from semiconductors, but semiconductors also produce light. You've heard of silicon, probably germanium and gallium arsenide. But how about cadmium telluride? It's available from Kodak under the name Irtran 6, and transmits out to 31 µm! What do you need that for? I don't know. But neither will you unless you know

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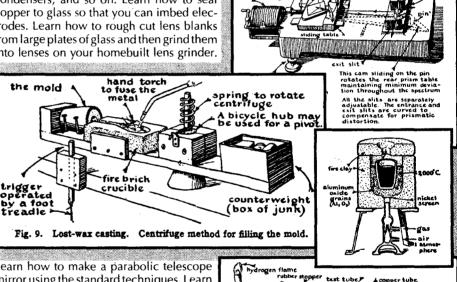
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Fig. 0. Arrangement for pre-fusion of metal to typesten coil.

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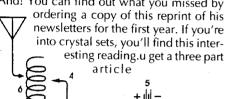
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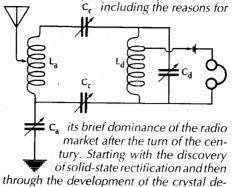
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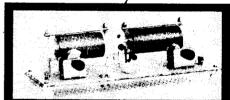
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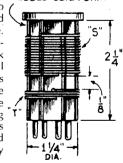
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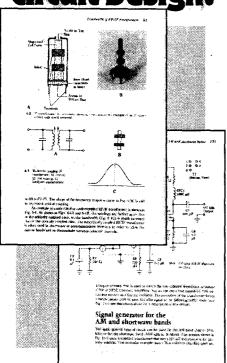
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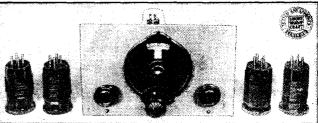
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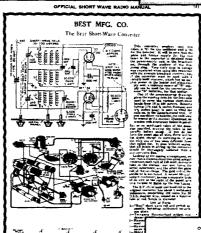
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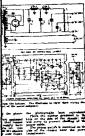


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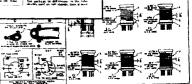












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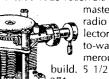
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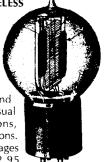
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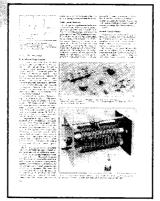
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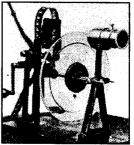
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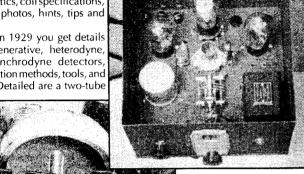
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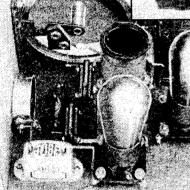
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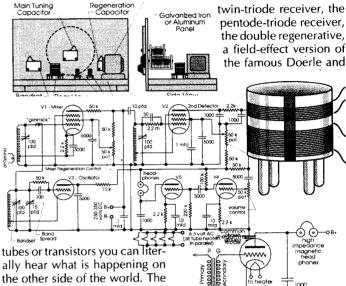
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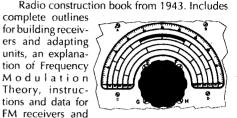


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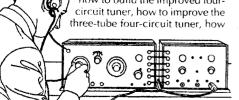
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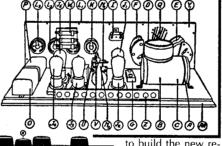
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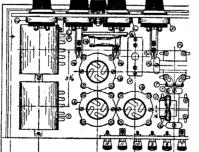
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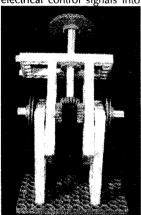
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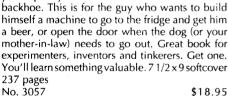
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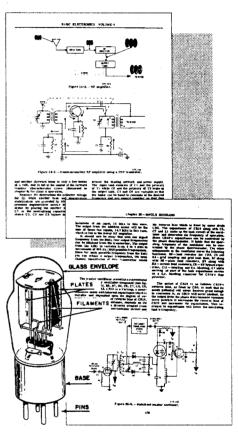
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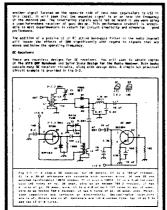
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You probably wouldn't have been able to afford a loud talker (loud speaker) back in '23. You would have had to build one. Actually this is a book about winding the electromagnet that vibrates a diaphragm violently enough to hear it across the room when amplified with an old-fashioned horn. Sections are entitled loud-talker field frame, the diaphragm and moving coil, data on loud-talkers actually

built, details of step-down transformer, connection to vacuum-

tube amplifier set, power amplifier circuit, bi-polar loud talker made from odd parts, building the electromagnet, and more. Unfortunately, there is nothing of significance on the horn.

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He'll show you to build the jigs to bend up the bracing and align the members while you weld it up. Yes,

you have to be able to weld, or know someone who can. Materials used include water pipe, rebar, conduit, a boat trailer winch and assorted bolts.

Build a tower and get your antenna in the air. Or use it to fly a jolly roger and scare your neighbors away. Or next time your mother-in-law starts mouthing off hoist her to the top and let the birds roost on her (or worse)!

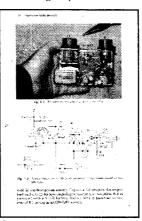
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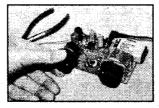
You get instructions on six different crystal sets, five am radio sets, four regenerative sets, six shortwave sets (one vacuum tube), five special sets including solar cells and varactors, and a number of unusual projects including an antique tube shortwave receiver. The author will show you how to make your own dial decals, dial pointer, and reduction gear pointer.



These are simple radios, great for most experimenters, yet they will pull signals incredibly well. 1 know, because I've already built some of these circuits in the past. In an age when people are afraid to program their VCR (or even set the clock for that

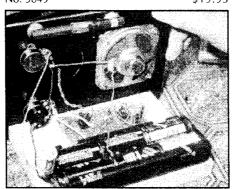
matter), those same people will be blown away when you pull one of your homebuilt sets off the shelf and explain you were listening to news from Radio Taiwan last night. They won't have a clue as to how you knew how to build it.

The only problem have with this is that there is very little theory Davidson will tell you to wind 50 turns



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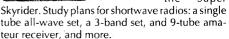
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**Coil Winding Machine** 

Dave will show you how to build a coil winder like those available in electronics catalogs years ago from common, easily-obtained materials. Although it may look complex, it really is not. You'll find that it is easy to build. You don't need to be a mechanical genius, or need expensive tools. Yet this amazing little machine will professionally wind universal and honey-comb coils, single layer and multi-layer solenoids, closewound and space wound coils, and even pi-spaced coils such as used for RF chokes and transformers.

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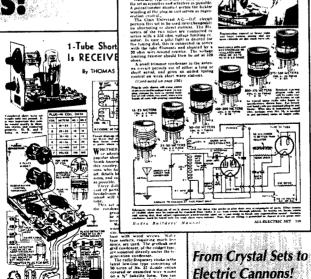
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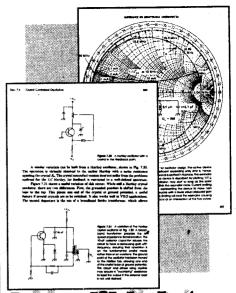
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by Wes Hayward

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Geez! Look at a schematic of simple radio and you have to ask "How did the designer know to use that component or put that many turns on the inductor?". Many of the answers are here. When you build, you can copy a successful design, but if you know the reasoning behind it, you can innovate or adapt and use the materials at hand.

Here Hayward taps into electrical engineering theory to explain what's happening with transistors, tuned circuits, crystals, oscillators and much more. The math is not extensive. He'll introduce the concept of poles and zeros, but rather than go off in some complex math discussion, he shows you how it relates to designing and building electronic gear. And that's what we want. For us math is a tool, not an art form.

Chapters include low frequency transistor models, filter basics, coupled resonators, transmission lines, two-port networks, practical amplifiers and mixers, oscillators and frequency synthesizers, and the receiver: an rf system.

This book was first published a few years ago, but has been brought back by the ARRL who has added a computer disk (DOS) with programs for design of LC filters, crystal ladder filters, RF system dynamic range, feedback amplifiers, and phaselocked loops.

When you finally decide you want to know why radio gear is designed the way it is, start here. There is more information here than you'll absorb in one read. It's a beautiful application of engineering to experimentation. You can get something out of this even if you are not strong in math. But the better you are in math, the more you'll learn.

I think this is one great book. A bit expensive, but worth-every penny. This is not pie-in-the-sky theory, and it's not an "RF Design for Dummies" book, either. It's in the middle, and that makes it rare. Get a copy. 7 x 9 softcover 382 pages No. 3053 \$29.95

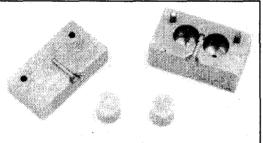
# Gingery Injection Molder Under Development Plastic Casting Machine

A new project is under development at the secret "Gingery Laboratories" hidden somewhere in the unexplored regions of Missouri. Vince calls it a plastic injection molding machine. Actually, that's what industry has called it for decades. Vince is producing a cheap knock-off for the basement and backyard experimenter.

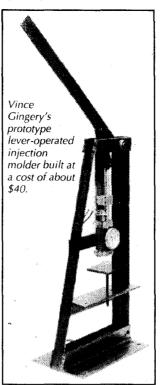
In such a molder, plastic pellets are held inside a heated cylinder not unlike a hydraulic cylinder. Once the pellets are soft and sufficiently plastic, a ram forces them under enormous pressure through a nozzle into a mold, which is usually machined from metal. After a quick cooling, the molded plastic part is ejected from the mold.

The problems encountered in injection molding are usually revolve around maintaining proper pellet temperature, generating sufficient pressure to get a powerful injection into the mold, and the mold design itself. Temperatures vary all over the map depending on whether you're molding something a thermoplastic like polyethylene or polystyrene or a thermoset like phenolic. Pressures are important, too. The big machines used in industry are rated in tons. And the mold must be an accurately made, properly gated, and easily cooled mold in order to achieve high production speeds.

While all of these concerns can be difficult problems when high speed industrial production is needed, the process can be simplified for experimental use. Here, Vince Gingery has build a simple prototype using a soldering iron element and a common thermostat together with angle iron he had left over from other projects. With it he has been able to melt and cast polyethylene milk jugs into cylindrical pellets using his test mold. Vince expects to develop simple ways to make more complex molds. Vince "Plastic Man" Gingery is hoping to have a new book out revealing his super-hero exploits by the summer of '97. But don't hold him to it. New machines always take longer to develop



Experimental injection molding test mold and castings of polyethylene from old milk jugs made with it.



and debug than anyone ever expects.

What can you make with an injection molder? Just look around you. Almost anything you see made of plastic is made this way. Large plastic forms are going to require machinery far bigger than you'll want to fabricate. But smaller items are definitely possible.

Progress has been swift and remarkable. And cost? Vince estimates this new machine would retail for between \$750 and \$1000, and yet he only has \$40 in it. It's almost something for nothing.

We'll see where it leads.

## Lindsay Publications Internet Site Being Developed

Lindsay Publications is developing a World Wide Web site. No, it's not going to be an online catalog like the computer geeks keep crying for. It will be essentially a bulletin board with the latest news and nonsense. For instance, if we do our job right at this end, you should be able to log on for five minutes look through the listings to see if a paritcular book you want is still available. Or see what new books are in the works. Or see more details on the Gingery injection molder. It will be just a high-tech newspaper.

I think the internet is a mixed bag. It's very useful for researching information. But for too many people it's as big a waste of time as television.

Shut the TV and computer off, and get out in the shop and build something. If you think Letterman, Seinfeld, and Beavis & Butthead are great entertainment, or if you know the score to the "Big Game", or if you think "Old Milwaukee" is great beer, then please write me, so I can take you off my mailing list. If your idea of a great TV program is the McNeil-Lehrer Report or the Wings program covering the development of XB-70 Valkyrie Supersonic Bomber, then I want to meet you. Dave and Vince Gingery, and my curator friends at the Smithsonian and I have discussed this very thing many times. And they agree

My friends are active. They build. The boneheads I avoid are passive. They just sit and watch:

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# Rock\* Agrees! and you pay for results with m "homebrew" regenerative job, at it in the effort of building and op

Dear Mr. Lindsay:

A good friend of mine has sent me a copy of your re-done Short Wave Radio Manual of 1934, the year, incidentally, that I first received my amateur license. So it takes me back most pleasantly to the days of my youth. That I have enjoyed perusing it very much goes without saying, I believe.

It was also pleasant to read your commentary upon building regenerative receivers at the back of the book. We agree perfectly upon the effectiveness of these devices. Indeed, it was the inception of this that first made practical, long-distance radio possible. A good, properly used regenerative detector may develop a gain of 30 decibels or more, equal to that of three non-regenerative cascaded stages.

But, as you know, one always gets only what one pays for. Buy a fancy, store bought receiver and you pay for results with money. Build a "homebrew" regenerative job, and you pay for it in the effort of building and operating it with patience and care, two words that most people scarcely know any more...

Building and using regenerative receivers continues to be a pleasurable experience for me. I have tried to get some young fellows of my acquaintance into this sort of activity with negligible success; they'd rather spend daddy's money upon fancy, store-bought gear. They do not realize how much honest education and real, challenging adventure they're depriving themselves of by that attitude. Too bad...

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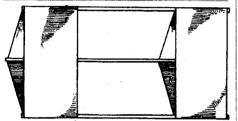
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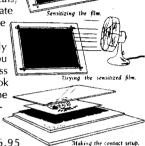
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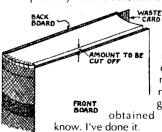
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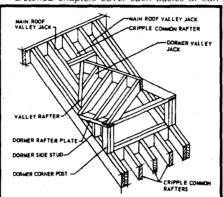
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HOME TANNING OF LEATHER AND SMALL FUR SKINS

by US Dept Agriculture reprinted by Lindsay Publications

This government booklet was revised in 1954 and 1962, so it certainly goes back into the 40's and maybe earlier. Is it available today? Probably

not because some of the chemicals described are potentially dangerous, potassium chrome alum, for instance. It wouldn't be politically correct to put such dangerous information into the hands of the public.

You get old information on having



hides tanned, buying leather by the side, home tanning procedures using bark tanning, chrome tanning, alum tanning, and finally details on making fur skins. The authors tell you that you can make furs adequate for winter protection, but nothing beautiful enough to be used for fur coats. You get tips on making shoe and harness leather.

Professor of Chemistry, Forrest Thomas, sent me this tanning booklet and said, "This booklet has the simplest, most easy-to-follow instructions for tanning hides, with or without hair, that I have ever seen. I have successfully tanned, with hair on, bear, deer, coyote, marmot, and squir-rel hides. This booklet could be a useful addition to your offerings ...

The instructions are clear and straight to the point with photographs and drawings. We scanned the original text into the computer and reset it so that it is easier to read. We also computer-enhanced the original photographs which looked like they had been taken during a full eclipse. The enhanced version is much better than the original.

This is a great little booklet with practical howto. Again! You had better learn to handle the chemicals described or you could get hurt or poison your surroundings. If you can't walk and chew gum at the same time, forget this. Otherwise get a copy and turn your neighbor's barking dog into several pair of super warm mittens. 5 1/2 x 8 1/2 booklet 24 pages

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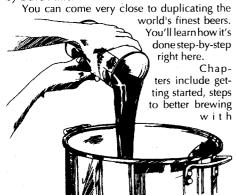
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## **Brew Your Own Beer!**

**BREWING THE WORLD'S GREAT BEERS** A Step-by-Step Guide

by Dave Miller



malt extract, first steps in grain brewing, the last step: all grain brewing, going semi-pro, glossary, bibliography, and sources.

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If you like beer, and I mean, you drink beer because you like it, not because its "the thing to do," then it's time to brew your own. This is a book that will help you produce a brew that will knock the socks off your neighbors and friends and solidify your reputation as a magician who can do anything. Great recipes to use as is, to modify, or to refer to for ideas. Get a copy. 6x9 paperback 250

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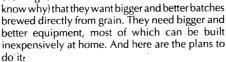
BREW WARE HOW TO FIND ADAPT AND **BUILD HOMEBREWING EQUIPMENT** 

by Lutzen & Stevens

Brewing beer is fun, easy, and tasty. And good beer costs no more to brew than the garbage you

buy that is marketed as beer. 1 always have a couple of hundred of bottles of quality Porter aging. And when the Gingery's stop buy, we always manage to empty more than a few.

You need some simple equipment. But some guys get so caught up in brewing (and I



You can build equipment for ingredients processing and storage, working with wort, chilling and aerating wort, fermenting, measuring, bottling, kegging and mashing. There is even information on growing and drying hops, and culturing yeast. About the only thing missing are plans for a stomach pump.

If you're not brewing, then try it. If you're brewing, then upgrade your system with this book. For the machinery and beer fanatic. Get a copy. 5 1/2 x 8 1/2 softcover 260 pages

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## Basic Brewing!

**GUIDE TO BETTER WINE AND BEER** MAKING FOR BEGINNERS

by S. M. Tritton

There are many books on making beer and wine, and this may not be the very best or the most modern. But what you get is value. You get the basic processes and the recipes at a very reasonable price.

"Almost anything that grows (and honey too) can be made by the most inexperienced beginner into a delicious wine: almonds, apricots, bananas, beetroots, bilberries, carnations, chamomile, cherries, cloves, corn, currants, dates, figs, ginger, golden rod, greengage plums, hawthorn, lichi fruit, mar-

row, oak leaves, oranges, pansies, rosehips, tangerines, tomatoes, as well as grapes, are a few of the 125 fruits and vegetables for which wine, beer and liqueur recipes appear in this A-Z guide.".

Great book to start with. Reprint of the 1965 original. Consider it. 5 1/2 x 8 1/2 paperback 157 pages

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FIRST STEPS IN WINEMAKING

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This is the classic text on winemaking first published in 1960. This is a reprint from the 1987 8th edition.

"You get over 130 detailed recipes all arranged



in the months of their making so that you can pursue your winemaking all the year around. Wines from fruit, flowers, vegetables, foliage, dried fruit and wine kits, notes on using the hydrometer and showing wine, and judging..." Showing? Judg-

ing? Nuts! Drink it. Before you get hit with the recipes you get all the essential know how. Over the years over two

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THE COMPLETE HANDBOOK OF WINEMAKING by American Wine Society

Making wine is easy. Juice, sugar, yeast and you're on your way. The hardest part is keeping

things clean so the bugs don't turn the must to vinegar.

Once you've made a little wine, you'll want to get beyond basics, and understand the how and why of making better stuff. And this book is filled with interesting, useful advanced info.

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Great book. If you want to make truly drinkable wine, you should have a copy. 6x9 softcover 217 pages





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THE CANNING, FREEZING. **CURING & SMOKING** OF MEAT, FISH & GAME

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Contents include the evolution of chili con carne, chili cookin' pantry and primer, cookoff chilis, southwestern chilis, chilis of celebrities & friends, starters, accompaniments and fine finishes. You also get an appendix listing publications, associations, cookoffs, mail-order suppliers, and a bibli-

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Make your own cheese! Good stuff! The authors will tell you how, in easy-to-understand terms - from simple Cottage Cheese and Mozzarella to delicious Blue, Gouda and Colby cheese. You'll be surprised how easy it is. How little equipment you'll need. How inexpensive, particularly if you have a source of cow's

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#### PISSING IN THE SNOW AND OTHER OZARK FOLKTALES

by Vance Randolph

Randolph collected legends and tales of the Ozark people for over forty years. In 1976 the University of Illinois found the courage to put the collection into print. If you like a little ribald humor once in a while, this is really funny in places, and quite interesting.

"One time there was two farmers that lived out on the road to Carico. They was always good friends, and Bill's oldest boy had been a-sparkin one of Sam's daughters. Everything was going fine till the morning they met down by the creek, and Sam was...'

And on it goes. Each story is several paragraphs long, and most use words you won't find in family newspapers (but you WILL find in movie theaters). The introduction explained. "The Ozark hillfolk seldom tell ribald stories in mixed company, as many city people do. They have their own

ideas of propriety, and are often shocked by innocuous urban conversation. The old-timers feel that sexual and scatological topics have no place in casual talk between men and women... Most of the bawdy tales which I have collected were told by adult-males when no womenfolk were about... Such stories are not aphrodisiac, or intended to incite antisocial sex activity.. They merely evoke laughter."

Crazy book! Dirty stories. Recommended to me by local bankers, lawyers and other professionals with a sense of humor. If you're offended by this type of material, for God's sake DON'T order a copy. Otherwise, don't wait! 5 1/2 x 81/2 softcover 153 pages (no illustrations fortunately) No. 6037 \$8.95

## The Circular Sawmill

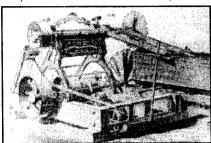
THE CIRCULAR SAWMILL

by Chuck Wendel

All but the last few pages here are filled with dozens. and dozens of illustrations of sawmills the author has gleaned from his extensive reference library. You'll see saws



in alphabetical order manufactured by Allis-Chalmers through Westinghouse



Machine Company, In the last few pages you get chapters covering setting up and checking the sawmill, hammering and adjusting circular saws, mechanics of the sawmill, model sawmills, and a bibliography.

This is a picture book, but there's much to be learned from the great illustrations if you have a sharp eye for me-

chanical detail. Great book for the builder, owner, operator, historian, and the guy who wants to tie his mother-in-law to a log. Get a copy! 8 1/2 x 11 booklet 68 pages

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## reular Sawm

CIRCULAR SAWMILL BLADES reprinted by Lindsay Publications

These pages, reprinted from two different 1880's books, will show you how to make, set and true up circular saw blades. You'll get a brief lesson on setting saw teeth and on hammering a bent circular saw blade back into truth - only a few pages long but the best explanation I've been able to find yet.

Pages from the second book "Leffel's Construction of Mill Dams and Bookwalter's Millwright and Mechanic" from 1881 will reveal how two different sawyers of 30 years experience take a sheet of steel and

layout a 50" circular sawblade from scratch. This method produced blades able to saw, before resharpen-

ing, as much as 4500 feet of barkcovered hardwood taken from the Missouri river still embedded with sand and grit. And you also get another set of brief instructions on hammering a blade back into truth.

Rare information! Anyone even thinking of building or running a sawmill MUST have this. The original books cost me a fortune, but your cost is practically nothing when you consider the rarity of the information. Order a copy! 5 1/2 x 8 1/2 booklet 22 pages Cat. No. 896

## Lumberman's

HANDBOOK FOR LUMBERMEN

by Henry Disston & Sons, Inc.

Disston & Sons produced band, circular and crosscut saws used by lumber-

men for more than 100 years. "[This] describes and illustrates these products in great detail and, most importantly, explains how they were used, maintained, and installed. It be-

came the bible of the industry. In this reprint of the 1902 edition are sections on filing and

setting of teeth, tensioning, fitting, and aligning, supplemented with illustrations, diagrams and charts that provide a complete coverage of the subject."

You get a great tool catalog loaded with illustrations that not only sought to sell lumbermen Disston saws, but it also showed them how to determine what saw was needed, what the differences between saws were, how to maintain them, and much more. I offer this because the info on hammering and adjusting large circular saws is among the very best I've seen.

If you have or dream about owning a circular sawmill someday, you must have this. Beautiful old book covering beautiful old technology. Get a copy. 6x9 softcover 162 pages

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# **Build a Circular Sawmi**

## 52" Diameter Blade! 24' Bed!

**BUILDING A CIRCULAR SAWMILL** 

by Richard Buxton

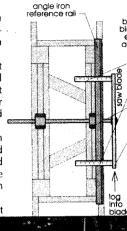
Yes, Rick Buxton built a sawmill from scratch a large, functional circular sawmill that converts logs into boards. And here he shares with you what he learned the hard way.

He'll show you how to pick the site; lay out the wooden frame; put in the foundation; install the rails; build the carriage, headblock, knee, set works and dogs; fabricate a drive assembly for the carriage; modify a power plant; install and adjust the blade; and more.

Buxton's machine has a 24' x 38" bed with 52" diameter sawblade driven by an old Volkswagen Beetle engine (since blown up and replaced by a Chevy engine). The carriage drive is a separate electric drive. This is a proven sawmill that has been used extensively.

This is not a simple project, but it's not

impossible either. It requires welding, a lathe, an aluminum foundry, and the knowledge to use them. A milling machine would probably be useful, too. You certainly aren't going to build this is

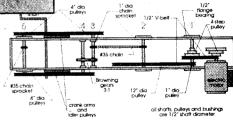


a single weekend.

The materials you will need are common angle iron, drill rod, belts, pulleys, key stock, standard bearings and so on. The only unusual item is the sawmill blade, and he'll give you tips on what to look for in buying a used one like he did. You get many drawings and pic-

tures. But I must warn you, this is neither a step-by-step how-to manual, nor is Buxton a world-class writer. What you get here is story of how one highenergy high school shop teacher creatively adapted what he could find to build a high quality circular sawmill on

the cheap as told in his own words. He'll tell what he did right, and what he should have changed. He expects you to have at least basic mechanical skills and to view his mill as the starting point for



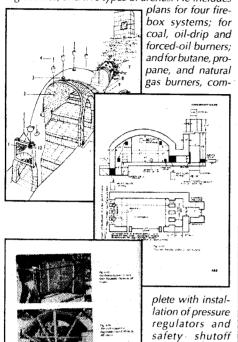
your own. He doesn't expect you to build a duplicate. In essence, this is a detailed mechanical report for people who are thinking of building their own sawmill. (And the truth is, if you're not knowledgeable enough to take what he's given you here and build a sawmill, I certainly don't want to be around the first time you fire the thing up!)

This is a valuable little book by someone who has done it. Successfully. You get a book loaded with unusual info that can only be learned by doing. And for the guy who wants a sawmill, this is a must-have. If sawing up logs is your dream, get a copy. Worth having. 5 1/2 x 8 1/2 softcover 88 pages No. 21605

#### THE KILN BOOK Materials, Specifications, & Construction

by Frederick L. Olsen

...covers the principles of efficient design... Olsen evaluates refractory materials and covers building methods, with instructions for flues. curved and common walls, five types of bricklaying courses, and five types of arches. He includes



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Complete plans and instruc-

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of any size, of any

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This hardcover book is loaded with how-to on building kilns for firing ceramics. All nuts and bolts. Dimensioned drawings. Tables. Photos. Hint. tips and secrets. Good stuff.

So you don't make pots. What good is it? Think! What is a cupola? Just a special kiln for melting iron. Kilns are used to make coke and charcoal. The furnaces that melt glass use the same basic furnace principles revealed here. In fact you might make a few bucks and build a crematorium for the local undertaker. I wonder what that would smell like!

Good book. Expensive, but good. I wish I could find more books as jam-packed with useable info as this one. If you ever intend to build a furnace. even if its only an oven to cook your Christmas goose, then get a copy of this for your reference library. Do it now. (Books like this in the past have had a way of disappearing...) 7x9 hardcover 291 pages

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## **Make Ceramic Tile!**

HANDMADE TILES by Frank Giorgini

The walls Babylon were decorated with beautifully glazed bricks and tile decoration. Many glamorous homes have floors and walls decorated with handmade

ceramic tile. It is truly a high art form, and it's a very interesting technical process.

"Written for the beginning tile maker, the accomplished artist, and the tile lover alike, this comprehensive, easy-to-understand, and loving treatment of the art of handmade tiles provides a wealth of practical information, a touch of history, and a stunning array of color photography. Included are more than eighty "how-to" photographs of tile-making steps, techniques and tools, as well as dozens of color photos of work by some of today's best tile artists.

The author gently guides the reader through setting up a workshop, selecting materials, pur-

chasing and making tools and equipment, and designing, fabricating, firing, decorating, and installing tiles. Everything that the beginner needs to know is considered- making relief tiles, underglaze and glaze decoration, slip trailing, inlay, sgraffiato, shellac resist, and impressing, as well as mosaics and the tile installation process..."

I can't help but think that with just a little artistic talent (or an ability to steal ideas) and some connections with a contractor or interior decorator you could mass-produce clay tiles, make good money, and have fun doing it. Kind of expensive book, but color printing is not cheap. Excellent value. Unusual content. If this strikes your fancy, get it now while you can. Excellent. 9x12 hardcover 144 pages

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"This authoritative book is the first to deal comprehensively with the historical, technical, and aesthetic aspects of woodfiring...

Here you get a book that looks at the technology of woodfiring. Chapters include the life of the fire, learning from the past, wood and combustion, kilns, clays for woodfiring, glazes for woodfiring, stacking and kiln setting, woodfiring the context of teaching, safety and more.

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Specialized info of excellent quality. So make a pot. Better yet, make your own insulators for that two million volt Tesla coil you intend to build. Somewhat expensive, but it delivers. 8 1/2 x 11 hardcover 174 pages





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You get pictures of the ruins of the first



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powder mill, a letter from Thomas Jefferson. their early salt-peter refinery, men wheeling carts of nitro, the acid plant at Louviers CO. experimental black powder press house, experimental equipment for purification of nitro, and much more.

Part history, part technology, and part advertising. Interesting stuff! Get a copy! 5 1/2 x 8 1/2 softcover 224 pages

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#### Hercules Dynamite on the Farm DITCH BLASTING

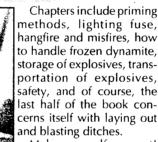
by Hercules Powder Company reprinted by

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Learn about the selection of explosives and blasting supplies, about Hercules products of 1934 such as Hercotol, Hercules Ditching Dynamite, Extra Low Freezing Dynamite, Hercomites 2 to 7, blasting caps, safety fuses, and blasting machines — you know, the T-handle device

used to detonate the charge. You may want to have a Ohmmeter-Galvanometer, a rheostat, leading wire, cap crimping pliers with fuse cutter, and other equipment.

# Dynamite a Ditch!



Make yourself a moat! Keep the neighbors awake

at night! If you intend to blast, stay away from me. Interesting reading!

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## **Vay To Pay Dirt!**

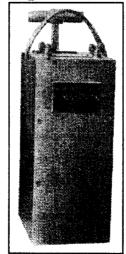
**EXPLOSIVES FOR SHALE AND CLAY BLASTING** 

by E. I. Du Pont deNemours

reprinted by Lindsay Publications

In 1916 DuPont published this booklet to entice people to use their dynamite to clear the land of stumps and boulders so you could mine shale and clay. You get info on digging plastic clays, mining flint clays, draining clay pits, and brief info on changing the course of a stream. The last part of the booklet goes into explosives and blasting supplies. You get details on old time dynamite, blasting caps, safety fuse, cap crimpers, T-handle blasting machines (including an internal view), leading, wire, rheostats, etc. The last couple of pages will tell you how to dig post holes with dynamite and how to handle a misfire.

Interesting. You could probably get enough info to build a replica of a blasting machine and dynamite sticks to scare the hell out of door to door salesmen! (Just don't take it to the airport. You'll do time...) An old book, but dynamite is still dynamite. Unusual. 5 1/2 x 8 1/2 booklet 48 pages No. 21257





Go back over a hundred years and discover the furnaces, crucibles, and formulas used then to make windowpane glass, Bohemian, bottle, and crystal glass. You'll see several different machines for casting it. You'll learn how cru-

cibles were made. You'll even get formulas for fire brick. 5 1/2 x 8 1/2 booklet 24 pages

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#### Notebook 11 - PHONOGRAPH & ICE MAKING MACHINERY

From 1879 a short article on Edison's new phonograph. The rest covers refrigeration which was the cutting edge of technology at the time. You'll learn about unusual refrigeration processes long forgotten like the Johnston & Whitelaw machine, the Vander Wyde machine which used naptha or even gasoline!!!, Kirk's cooling machine and others. Also included are formulas for chemicals which when mixed produce intense cold. Unusual! 5 1/2 x 8 1/2 booklet 14 pages No. 880

#### Notebook 18 -**GLUE, GREASE & MATCHES**

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the head. You've been warned...)



#### LINDSAY'S CHEMICAL CROSS REFERENCE

by Lindsay Publications Inc.

If you haven't run into the problem yet, you will. You'll be reading some old chemical formula calling for mirbane oil, salt of satum, or liver of sulphur. A quick check of this handy list of chemical terms would tell you that you need nitrobenzene, lead acetate, or potassium sulphide.

## Chem Cross Reference!

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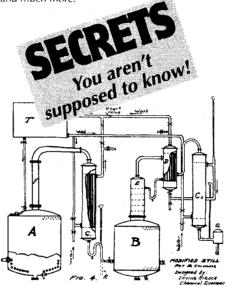
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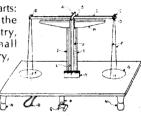
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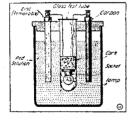
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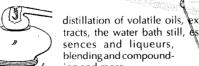
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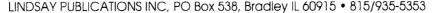
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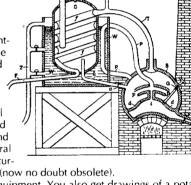
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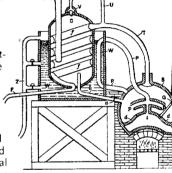
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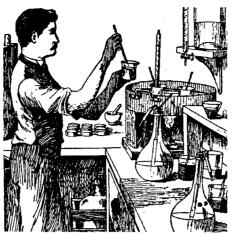
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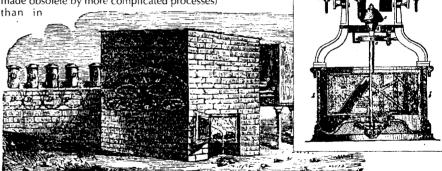
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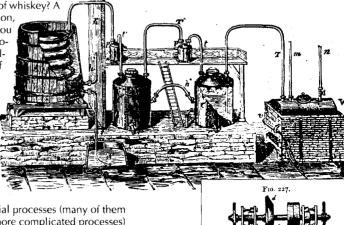
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Like a Tesla coil, the wiring diagram for a pulse transformer is ridiculously simple. The secrets lie in construction details. Hansen will show you how

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This beast will produce sparks only about 8" long due to its operating characteristics. If you want long sparks, go with a 300 kV Tesla coil. But don't even think of yourself as an expert in high voltage unless you're familiar this type of lightning bolt generator.

There are only a few pages to this report, but when you see the quality of the content and the beautifully drawn diagrams, you'll realize that this information is quite reasonably priced. This is a jam-packed report with proven how-to. Reprinted from Hansen's newsletter "The Bell Jar". Worth having. Get a copy. 8 1/2 x 11 pamphlet 10 pages

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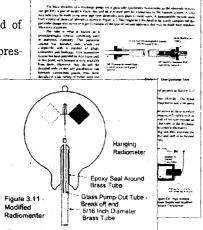
VACUUM TECHNOLOGY

by Steve Hansen

Get started in the world of vacuum.

Take a refrigerator compressor and turn it into a vacuum

pump. Build a glow discharge tube powered by a high voltage supply built from a modified TV flyback transformer. Make thermocouple gauges with op-amp controllers. Learn how to seal up equipment with orings, compresson fittings, nylon washers, and more. Build a replica of a very early cathode ray tube, the



Braun tube. Build a cold cathode CRT. Build a radiometer. Build a plasma sphere - one of those spheres with the dancing colored electric arcs that change when you bring your hand near. And you can always re-enact the famous Magdeburg sphere experiment of the 1600's.

Chapters include means of producing vacuum, vacuum technology, materials, vacuum applications and pressure ranges, low cost mechanical pumps, simple gauges, useful flanges and connectors, a simple vacuum workstation, a manifold for gaseous discharge and electron beam experiments, experiments with glow discharge proudced electron beams, the radiometer, a plasma sphere, Magdeburg hemispheres, along with lists of suppliers and references.

These are reprinted articles from Hansen's newsletter "The Bell Jar". Each is clearly explained, illustrated, and is proven how-to using modern materials. Everything here is meat. No fluff. Worth having. Get

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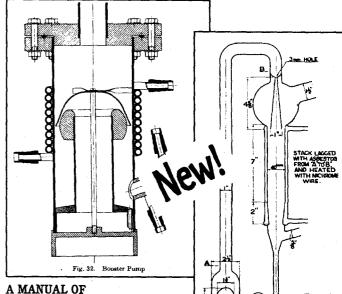
has functions ranging from nighttime surveillance to viewing IR laser beams...'

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VACUUM PRACTICE

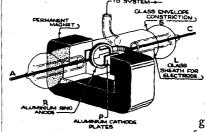
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"This manual was prepared primarily to assist post-graduate students in the first years of their research.... We have endeavored to present aspects of vacuum technique which will assist the research beginner... This manual does not pretend to cover the whole field of vacuum technique, but rather to present modern developments in a concise and practical form. More comprehensive treatments are to be found in the classic texts of Strong, and Espe and Knoll...." Strong. As in Experimental Physics. As in this catalog.

This beautiful little book was printed in 1947 in Australia. We could find no copyright claims in it, and I hope I'm stepping on someone's toes

by reprinting it. But it's too good to ignore.



Beautifully illustrated chapters include: principles of production of low pressures, measure of pressure, pumps, and vacuum plumbing. Within each chapter a discussions of such devices as the Pirani gauge, the Penning gauge, the ionization gauge, oil dif-

Fig. 13. Penning Gauge fusion pump, backing pump, mercury diffusion pump, motion transmission seals, vapour traps and raffles, and more.

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by HS Norrie

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Chapters include Coil Construction, Contact Breakers, Insulations and Cements, Condensers, Experiments, Spectrum Analysis,

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You'll learn how to build both primary and

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by A. T. Hare

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Build a big coil! One with a core 18" long that is almost 1 3/4" in diameter and weighs almost eight pounds. The secondary is made up of over 79,000 turns of very fine wire weighing 19 pounds and being almost 17 miles in length!

Chapters include: the core, the primary coil, the main insulating tube, the condenser,

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THE DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION OF INDUCTION COILS

by A. Frederick Collins

From 1908, you get one of the best books I've ever seen on coil construction. "The present work treats of eight different sizes of coils, varying from one giving 1/2-inch sparks to a large one giving 12-inch sparks.....

Twenty chapters delve into the theory of the coil and the action of each of its components, design of spark coil cores, choosing interrupters, details of condenser design and size, and more. Wire is discussed along with its cutting, straightening, annealing, the making of the paper tube, bundling and taping wires for large cores, and more.

Detailed discussions reveal the advantages

of silk versus cotton-covered magnet wire, winding the primary, the winding of helical secondaries, construction of aperture insulating rings, how to dip the coil and bake it, build a vacuum apparatus to impregnate the apparatus, machine the parts for a simple spring interrupter, and much more. You get wiring diagrams for various coils, final assembly details, sources of direct current including dry cells, plunge batteries, chloride accumulators, and more.

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HOW TO BUILD A 40,000 VOLT INDUCTION COIL

by Walt Noon

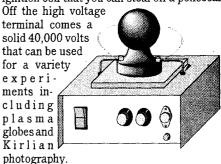
Are you looking for a fast and simple way to

generate high voltage? Try this.

The ignition coil in your automobile is the modern equivalent of an old time induction coil. It is nothing more than a transformer that converts low voltage into very high voltage. The points in your automobile replace the old fashioned spark gap.

# Builda 40,000 Volt induction Coil

Walt Noon's circuit here replaces the spark gap and the points with a low cost solid state circuit centered around a 555 timer IC. The circuit takes 110 VAC out of your wall and converts it into a string of DC pulses. The pulses are sent to the terminals of an auto ignition coil that you can steal off a policecar.



You get drawings of the unit, parts list, circuit diagram, photos and assembly instructions for the coil. You are expected to have at least some experience building modern electronic equipment with perf board. You get hints, tips and suggestions on where and how to make circuit modifications. You also get eight different experiments plus extensive details on Kirlian photography with a modified 35mm camera.

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# Electricity at High Pressures & Frequencies

ELECTRICITY AT HIGH PRESSURES & FREQUENCIES

by Henry L. Transtrom

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The entire first part of this book covers electrical theory, just practical stuff that builders can use, great material for the builder of lightning bolt generators.

You won't find all that much construction how-to, but you WILL find details about existing equipment, how it works, simple calculations on performance, and some remarkable photographs of experi-

ments that can be performed with a lightning bolt generator.

Chapter 13 on page 165 talks about the fact that Tesla, Fessenden and others have not been able to generate frequencies over 100,000 Hertz (cycles per

second). Then they show you a Fessenden alternator driven by a 10 hp DC motor through gears that revolves at 20,000 rpm that kicks out over 2,000 watts of high-frequency high voltage!

You'll see a device that develops 15,000

volts between two ends of 25 feet of No.

4 aluminum wire! Another photo shows a 10

although apparently short circuited by 6 inches of No. 00 copper wire! It shouldn't work, but it does. You'll see a high-frequency transformer that throws heavy 60" sparks between its

terminals. Other photos show unusual high voltage experiments. The last 20% of this book is worth the price of the entire

A 1921 edition of the 1913 original. There appear to be 139 illustrations. This is another must have for the high-voltage library — a book that is very

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STRANGE STORIES from Electrical Experimenter Magazine

Strange Stories from ELECTRICAL EXPERIMENTER MAGAZINE

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Unusual stories from Electrical Experimenter 1917-1919, mostly dealing with Tesla. Strange stories on gravitation and electricity; can electricity destroy gravitation; a novel Tesla steam electric clock; electrical production of synthetic gasoline; Tesla's egg of Columbus; My Inventions- the discovery of the Tesla coil and transformer (by the man himself!); the thought recorder; the true wireless (by Tesla); and home treatment of tuberculosis by high frequency currents.

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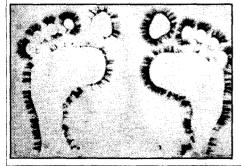
# EXTRACT Free Electricity from the Ground

Vol V (described elsewhere in this catalog) is powered by free energy extracted from the ground. Check it out! It really works.

#### THE UNSEEN SELF KIRLIAN PHOTOGRAPHY EXPLAINED by Brian Snellgrove

"Most of us think of the aura as a halo of light surrounding the heads of saints. The reality is that everyone has an aura. Auras have two main purposes: to form a protective layer around us, and to act as a transmitting and receiving state for thoughts and emotions.

Thoughts are living things which radiate from us 24 hours a day. Kirlian photography is a facinating new tool that enables us to see, in



graphic form, how this mysterious electric layer varies from person to person.

The book concludes with practical tests that anyone can do to show the reality of this old - yet only partly understood - phenomenon."

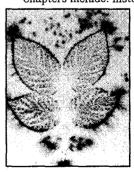
Now I don't really buy this guy's explana-

tion of aura. I mean this guy has spent the last 25 years as a "healer". But whether you want to believe it or not, KIrlian photographs exist and are something you can do with high voltage that is quite interesting.

Although I'm convinced these "aura's" are little more than grains of dye-sensitized silver halides being ionized by intense electric field gradients, you might want to believe they are something far

more mystical. That's your business.

Chapters include: historical aspects of the



human energy field, the mysterious phenomenon of Kirlian photography, what is the Kirlian apparatus and how does it work?, Kirlian photography in use, navigating minefield, into the unknown - the body electric, future directions the nature

of reality.

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Most people think of lightning bolt generators when they think of Tesla, but people should remember that Tesla created the power system used throughout the world today — one that operates at 50 and 60 cycles per second.

Tesla experimented with other frequencies, iron and air core transformers, as well as motors and generators. Tesla didn't just one day decide he was going to build his famous lightning bolt generator. It was but another step in a series of experiments that had begun years before. Here you get a complete record of his research up to 1893.

It's all here — the AC experiments and inventions that lead Tesla to experiment with ever higher voltages and frequencies.

the neon tubes and florescent lights, unusual high frequency alternators and even magnet

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TESLA: MAN OUT OF TIME

by Margaret Cheney

"Flamboyant, eccentric, almost supernaturally gifted, had he been born today he would still be ahead of his time. Called a madman by some, a genius by others, and an enigma by nearly everyone. Nikola Tesla was perhaps the greatest inventor the world has ever known...

"It was Tesla who harnessed the alternating electrical current that we use today... Tesla who actually invented radio... Tesla who invented

MARGARET CHENEY

fluorescent lighting and the incredible bladeless turbine. He introduced us to the fundamentals of robotry and computer and missile science, which continued to create and transform the future..."

There are many books about Tesla, some of them are garbage written by groupies who worship Tesla as a god. Here's a great factual biography that has gotten

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PRODIGAL GENIUS The Life of Nikola Tesla

bu Iohn I. O'Neill

Spectacular as all his inventions seemed, they were only offshoots of his truly monumental discoveries in the basic principles of electricity. Today, dozens of his patents are in use in his adopted country. America, while in his native Serbia he is revered as a national hero.

His brilliant, eccentric personality gives to Tesla's life story the quality of the strangest romance. He made his first million dollars before he was forty, yet gave up the royalties on his most profitable inventions as a gesture of friendship, and died almost in poverty. Handsome, magnetic and elegant, he was the 'catch' of New York society, yet no woman could win him from his dedication to science. He refused to accept the Nobel Prize; and when others claimed credit for the revolutionary ideas his extraordinary mind threw forth like showers of sparks, he did not contest them.

In this penetrating study of the life and mind of scientific superman, Nikola Tesla is revealed as a figure of genius who influence upon the world around us is incalculable, and whose shadow stretches far into the future."

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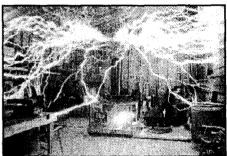
# Tesla's Notes! A Builder's Guide

Tesla Coil Builder's Guide to the COLORADO SPRINGS NOTES OF NIKOLA TESLA

by Richard Hull

Tesla's notes of his 1899-1900 experiments in Colorado were published in English sixteen years ago in Yugoslavia. Readers had a difficult time understanding them. This book is a guide through those notes, and better yet, a translation. Even without the original notes, much useable information is provided by Hull.

You get loads of detail.



July 24, 1899- "...[Tesla] calculates that the sustem is oscillating at 164 kHz and then places a 30 inch sphere on the extra coil and records the usual drop in extra coil resonance to 102 kHz with a near tripling of primary capacitance needed to retune the system..." (only part of several large baragraphs)

July 27, 1899- "... Tesla realizes that he can measurably shorten his dwell time and make quenching action much more efficient if he adopts external series spark gaps to help exhaust the arc rather than letting the rotary do all the work.... (much more)

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You get specifications of the final system design which was used less than fifteen days. Make no mistake about it. This is a BIG system kicking out arcs over thirty one FEET long! You get details on Tesla's Colorado Springs lab and lots more.

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Power transmission without wires: the London Lecture plus a 1904 magazine article on the Colorado Springs experiments!

EXPERIMENTS WITH ALTERNATE CURRENTS OF HIGH POTENTIAL AND HIGH FREQUENCY

bu Nikola Tesla

"A lecture delivered before the institution of electrical engineers, London, by Nikola Tesla with an appendix by the same author on the transmission of electric energy without wire, reviewing his recent work. and presenting illustrations from the photographs never before published".

It's all here, every page from the original 1904 book — complete with unusual illustrations showing disruptive discharge coils, improved discharger and magnet, luminous discs, single wire and no wire motor, unusual electric lights for use with the high-frequency AC that is generated by the Tesla coil, and much more.

Quite a title! Quite a book! The inventor himself explains his

experiments, theories, and plans.

The last fourteen pages of the book is a reprint of Tesla's article from the March 5, 1904 issue of "Electrical World and Engineer" complete with photographs of the experimental apparatus at Colorado Springs and Long Island built to test the transmission of electrical power

Anyone who studies Tesla, builds his coils, or wants to perfect the inventions that Tesla didn't have time to finish should have a copy of this book. Rare! Interesting! Historically important! Get a copy! 5 1/2 x 8 1/2 softcover 170 pages.

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SEND POWER THROUGH AIR!

RADIO TESLA - THE SECRET OF TESLA'S RADIO AND WIRELESS POWER

by George Trinkaus

Here's another in the series of informative booklets put out by George Trinkaus.

Wireless transmission of power is really no mystery. It's the whole premise upon which radio works. Tesla was one of the inventors of radio.

Trinkaus walks you through Tesla's experiments and inventions and shows you the connection with radio. The author will show you his experimental spark-gap transmitter (which

can get you into real trouble with the FCC), a push-pull tube transmitter, and more.

You'll investigate low-frequency transmission (VLF), transmission through the ground, and more. You'll get details on Tesla's radio control boat, later regenerative receivers, modern publications that explore license-free VLF transmission and reception, aerial capacity and more much.

You get a load of fascinating information in a small, low-cost booklet. Just the references to other publications, in itself, makes this publication worth having. For instance, I've had a lot of fun exploring the mysterious VLF wave-lengths, and you can, too. This publication can point you in the right direction.

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### TESLA TURBINE SECRETS!

A NEW DIMENSION FOR POWER compiled by Jeffrey A Hayes

In 1909 Nikola Tesla applied for a patent on his bladeless steam turbine that could generate ten horsepower per pound of weight. Actually, the patent granted in 1913 was entitled "Fluid Propulsion" because the turbine could also be used as an efficient pump. The patents have expired, and vet the invention is not being used.

Why? Could it have been all that great? Find out.

Here you get a collection of articles on the turbine/pump. Chapters include Tesla Gasoline Engine, Sea Power Plant Designed by Tesla, Tesla's New Fluid Propulsion, A Revolution foir Electric Motors, New Inventions by Tesla, The Tesla Turbine (articles from Pop Mechanics, Boys Book of New Inventions, Prodigal Genius, others), and more.

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### Tesla's Lost inventions

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by George Trinkaus

"Here are the suppressed inventions of Nikola Tesla all in one place rendered in clear English and in 42 illustrations. Tesla was famous at the turn of the century for inventing the alternatingcurrent sustem still in use today. But his later inventions, documented in some 30 U.S. patents between 1890

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systems, the magnifying transmitter, wireless power, and the free-energy receiver." —from the front cover.

Like Trinkaus's other Tesla book, the only criticism that can be leveled here is that the chapters are too short. Interesting, unusual information, especially if you're just beginning your study of Tesla. Fairly priced. 8 1/2 x 7 booklet 34 pages No. 748

TESLA COIL

by George Trinkaus

You get a brief overview of Tesla, his career and his coil. Then you get instructions on building a good sized coil using a neon transformer and a spark gap to drive the primary. The detail is adequate.

> You get brief discussions and details on capacitors, glass-and-foil capacitors, oil capacitors, salt-water capacitors, series and rotary spark gaps, a schematic for a 6L6 vacuum tube driven coil, construction notes, hazards, Tesla lighting, ozone disinfector, and magnifying transmitter. All this in 21 pages!

Obviously, the booklet does not go into great detail, but there ARE ideas and clues here that you might not have thought of yet. A lot of the info is a repeat from other books, but there are some bits and pieces that I haven't seen. Consider it carefully. 7 x 8 1/2 booklet 21 pages Cat. no. 741

### Rare Classic from 1916! HIGH FREQUENCY APPARATUS

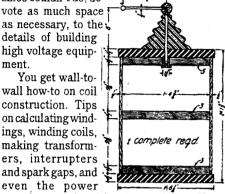
HIGH FREQUENCY APPARATUS

bu Thomas Stanley Curtis reprinted by Lindsay Publications

In 1916 experimenters were excited by Tesla and Oudin coils, and other lightning bolt generators. Curtis decided to do what maga-

zines couldn't do, devote as much space as necessary, to the details of building high voltage equipment.

You get wall-towall how-to on coil construction. Tips on calculating windings, winding coils, making transformers, interrupters even the power



transformers that drive the spark gap. If you want to die young, you can even build an X-ray machine!

Build a power grid and see for yourself if high frequency current really does affect plant growth. Build yourself a large coil that produces 50" lightning bolts, give lectures, and make people think you are a genuine made scientist.

Great book! And absolutely MUST HAVE book for the Tesla coil experimenters. Quality. Order a copy today. 5 1/2 x 8 1/2 softcover 247 pages well illustrated

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Alternating Current at Low and High Frequencies • How the High Frequency Current is Produced • The High Potential Transformer or Induction Coil • The Oscillation Transformer • The Spark Gap • Oscillation Transformers • Induction Coil Outfits Operated on Battery Current • Kicking Coil Apparatus • One-Half Killowatt Transformer Outfit • Quenced Gap Apparatus • Physicians' Portable Apparatus • Physicians' Office Equipment • Hot Wire Meter Construction • Notes for the Beginner in Electro-Therapeutics • Plant Culture with High Tension Current • High Frequency Plant Culture • A Foreword on the Construction of Electrical Apparatus for the Stage • Construction of Large High Frequency Apparatus • Large Tesla and Oudin Coils for the Stage • Construction of a Welding Transformer • Hints for the Electrical Entertainer • Appendix Parts and Materials - How Much They Cost and Where to Get Them

#### DOUBLE TESLA-OUDIN COIL

reprinted by Lindsay Publications

Here, in one small booklet are five fascinating articles reprinted from the "The Experimenter" magazine and its derivatives of the World War I era.

The first article is entitled "Seeing the Unseen" and reveals one experimenter's construction of a double coil high voltage generator that was a cross between a Tesla coil and an Oudin coil. If you want to impress the devil out of someone with a blinding 20" bolt of lightning, this 2 kw machine is the one to build.

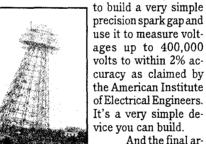
### **IIGH VOLTAGE ARTICLES**

Includes Plans for Voltmeter for Measuring Lightning Bolts!

The second article is entitled "Wireless Transmission of Power Now Possible". Supposedly a British genius devised a way to transmit power into the ionosphere using air ionized by a power beam of light.

"Home-Made Geisler Tubes" will show you how to make these neon-like tubes for use with high voltage equipment. It sounds dangerous to me, but this is how it's done.

"Testing High Voltages with Spark Gaps" is an article from 1917 that will show you how

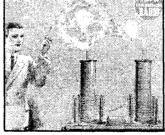


And the final article from September

1917 is entitled "U.S. Blows Up Tesla Radio Tower." You'll see photos of Tesla's long island radio tower collapsing from explosives. The unused tower was suspected of being used

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This is a small booklet, but the information it contains is rare. You



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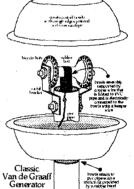
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You'll learn about 1/4 wave principle, the Ferranti rise, capacitors, power transformers, spark gaps and all the other components of a coil. You'll learn about design parameters and procedures, tuning and operation, sample design, and more.

You get plans, specs, wiring diagrams, and a couple of photos of a coil with a 40" x 4" secondary coil capable of throwing 28" sparks. The info on this coil alone is worth the price of the book.

You get formulas, simple explanations of complex theory, advice from someone who has built a coil and who has far more theoretical background than most of us, plans, suppliers of parts, and valid coil theory.

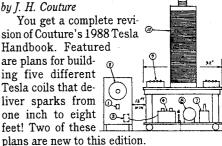
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I must warn you that the how-to is not extremely detailed, but it's still quite good. This is a homegrown coil and a homegrown publication that you won't find in any bookstore. Brief, but fairly priced. 5 1/2 x 8 1/2 booklet 16 pages No: 374

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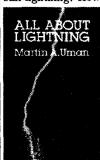
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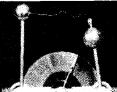
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It has much the same information you'll find in other books in this catalog, but this equipment is built with currently available materials. You'll find this book is about electrostatics, that is, static electricity. There is nothing on AC current devices such as the Tesla coil. Good book. Order a copy!

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programs, and Tesla's world electrical system.

The author writes, "The Tesla Coil Design Manual is the only book available today that is based on empirical design. Empirical design is design based on both theory and data from tests of real world coils. The 26 graphs are all new and have never been published before. Also shown are wiring diagrams for easily made test instruments relating to Tesla coils...

This is like looking through the private notebook of Tesla coil fanatic. You get chunks of concentrated information, diagrams and notes on valuable test equipment designed for use in Tesla coil de-

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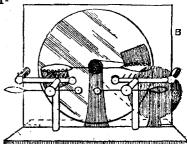
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Go back a hundred years and build your own electrical equipment.

You get basic information on materials, soldering, and working glass. Then you build pith ball and gold leaf electroscopes, a Coulomb torsion balance, and Volta's electrophorus static generator. You'll learn how to take a sheet of glass and cut a circle from it, drill a hole in the center and use it to build Bertsch's high-voltage static generator, Carre's Dielectric machine, a Holtz machine, and a Wimshurst influence machine.

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zinc chloride and sulphuric acid to sal ammoniac and potassium dichromate which are more commonly known as the Daniell, Bunsen, Smee, Walker cells and others. Then you get simple plans so that you can build a working electrical telephone, the newest technology in 1888.

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Polar light.

The rest of his book deals with controlled studies of plants grown with and without electrical stimulation from a Holtz high voltage machine. The prof then considers controlled experiments conducted in Germany, Sweden, and England in the summers of 1902 and 1903. The results seem to show that the electricity promoted growth.

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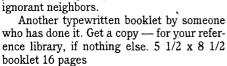
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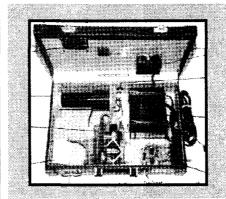
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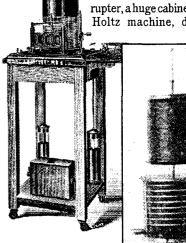
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Chapters include: static electricity, induction coil, X-rays, high-frequency currents, Finsen and ultra-violet light, radium, electrophysiology and methods of application, use of static electricity, application of the high-frequency currents, the Roentgen ray, electric

light bath, and chapters on diseases and their treatment.

Some of the illustrations are simply great - like the Wehnelt interrupter, the McKenzie-Davidson interrupter, a huge cabinet-sized Holtz machine, devices



similar to the Tesla coil such as the Hirschmann device, the Ovington machine, and more. The

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This is a fascinating look at electrical machinery, but it is not a construction manual. Anyone can build a Tesla coil. But if you build your coil to look like these and install it in a fine cabinet people will be convinced you ARE a mad doctor. Maybe Hollywood will put you in their next Frankenstein movie.

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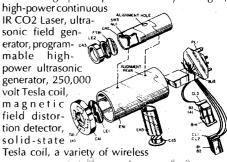
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lannini is an experienced electronics inventor, and holds many patents. He'll give you parts lists, wiring diagrams, assembly diagrams and all you need to get these projects built. I don't think that it's any coincidence that almost every plan has a footnote telling you that kits are available from Information Unlimited, Inc., which is owned by the author and which advertises in the back of the science and mechanics magazines. No doubt, that firm's best selling plans have been reprinted in this single volume.

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Dave will show you how a magneto works, how to test one, how the magnetizer works and will show you in detail how to build one. He'll give

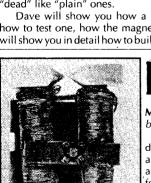
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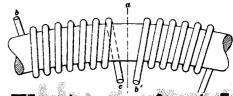
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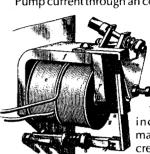
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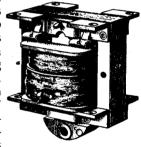
Pump current through an copper wire and



you get a magnetic field. Wrap that copper wire into a coil, and the magnetic field intensity increases dramatically. You've created an electromagnet.

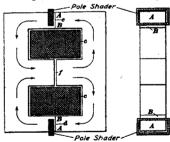
Good information about electromagnets

and their design is hard to find. It's either far too simple, or it was written by a physicist building an atom smasher. Here you get a 1948 "textbook" from International Correspondence Schools



that delivers something in between.

Chapters include: electromagnetism, types of magnets used, forces developed from mag-



netism, magnet design procedure, and permanent magnets. You get a formula for findingthe

pull of a magnet and a complete design section with curves, formulas, and examples for creating clapper, solenoids, e-types, AC and DC electromagnets. You also get useful info characteristics of the different materials used in (1948) permanent magnets.

Great easy-to-read-and-understand info. Straight to the point. Build a huge electromagnet. Take it over to your neighbor's house, set it next to his color TV, turn it on, and watch what it does! (You might be liable for damages, though...) Excellent little book. Order one! 5 1/2 x 8 1/2 softcover 96 pages No. 21818

### **Patents Great source of** information or a waste of time?

Patents can be a great source of information for the experimenter and inventor. Or they can be a great waste of time and money.

Patents are essentially documents proving that you've invented something new. The invention is your prop- 20 erty. No one can profit from your invention without your consent be- 22 cause to do otherwise is theft. Anyone can build a copy of your invention for their own use without your permission so long as they don't profit from it. In other words, if there is money to be made from your invention, you are entitled to a piece of the action.

But one of the dumbest ideas I constantly hear, is the old "I'll get a patent and I'll be rich" routine. A patent won't make you rich. You make money from selling your invention not from having the patent itself. If non one wants to buy what you've invented, you've just wasted time and money. The patent is worthless. No manufacturer in their right mind would even want to buy rights to the patent!

You don't believe me? How much money do you think the inventor of protective eye goggles for chick-

ens ever made? Sure he invented them. And yes, he had a patent. But no one wants chicken goggles. None were ever sold. The time, energy and money that went into getting a patent was a waste of time.

But there ARE patents in the government files for fantastic useful inventions that you don't even know exist. And you can get copies of them for only \$3.50 each. But to do that you have to know the numbers. You can retrieve patent numbers from name plates on old machines, from the introductions to other patents, and from researching the journals of patent registry at libraries.

Lorder patents from Washington DC, but I've routinely searched through abstracts at the Chicago Public Library in order to get numbers of potentially interesting inventions. That's some-

thing you would have to do.

After that, I find that less than half the patents I order have any information of any real value. Many times all that is revealed is some tiny improvement on a previous invention. On top of that, many patents are written by attorneys with twisted "legaleeeeze" writing styles. You'll find it easier to understand ancient Babylonian. Many of the newer patents are written in clear, easy-to-understand English, but the older ones can be impossible.

A lot of crazies want you to believe there are patents out there that have been bought up and suppressed by the government or "big oil". My favorite are 200 mile per gallon carburetors. Patents aren't forever. They expire. Those old carbs from 1930's just don't work. And I don't care how many high mileage carb patents there are in the files. They don't work. How do I know? Automo-

(right) Pogue: High Mileage carburetor from Sept 1935, No. 2,026,798 (left) Charles Garrett: metal detector from May 1972, No. 3,662,255 (above) Nikola Tesla: Electric Circuit Controller from August 1898, No. 609,251 (below) R A Fessenden: Signaling by Electromagnetic Waves from July 1905, No. 793,649 (Ask a self-proclaimed expert on Telsa if he's ever heard of Fessenden. He probably won't know what you're talking about.)

(left) NASA: Thermal Energy transformer No."

4,135,367 - essentially a solar power engine (right) nley Brothers: Burner for Steam Generator from July 1908, No. 893,668 - details of the powerplant of a Stanley Steamer!

tive engineers aren't stupid. If they could jack up the mileage on a new car to 200 mpg by simply bolting on a different carb don't you think they'd do it? Imagine the demand! It would be cheaper than investing millions in aerodynamic design, fuel injection and all the rest just to meet government mileage standards. All they would have to do is usea 1930's carb for which the patent has expired, and they'd have it made. But don't do it, do they? Why? Because the carbs don't work. Certainly not with modern gasoline. They may have improved performance for fuel that was more kerosene than gasoline back then, but they won't

The point I'm trying to make is that yes, you can get great old time information on proven performers like the Stanley Steamer, American Type Foundry's die casting and matrix cutting machines, or variable ratio vernier dial drives manufactured by National Company, but you also are faced with stacks of pure BS like 200 mpg carbs and chicken goggles. If you have the time to wade through it, search out a major library near you where patent abstracts are shelved, search out the numbers for the topics in which you're interested, and write for patents.

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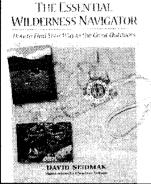
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### NAVIGA

by David Seidman

I had to get this for me. My office has become a wilderness, and I have to be expert navigator just

to find the door anymore.



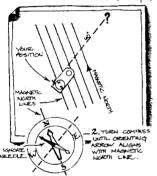
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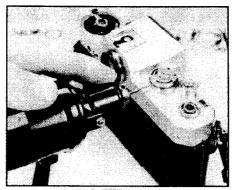
compasses is a section calling "Following a Compass Course". Under that are four sections: going straight, lateral drift, with no landmarks, around obstacles. The whole book is broken down like that.

This a fun book for map people, people who like to solve puzzles, outdoorsmen, and

especially people who get lost easily. Doesn't have much on catastrophic offices, however. Help! Nuts. Help yourself. Get a copy. I think you'll like

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by Thomas Tomosy

Cameras are complex devices but many, many problems can be solved quite simply. This book won't necessarily put you in the camera repair business, but you WILL be able to make many

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Part two will take you through 31 different cameras including the Olympus OM-1, Pentax Spotmatic, Kodak Stereo, Canon AE-1, and even a Hasselblad. In addition parts three and four will give you additional hints on other cameras, tips. charts, and reference material.

Once in the military in Germany I bought a bunch of old cameras for 25¢ each from a scavenger at the local city dump. The shutters didn't work, at least, until I dismantled, cleaned, and lubricated them. I've taken far better pictures with my 25¢ wonders than most people will ever hope to take with even the most expensive camera.

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### **Build a View** Camera!

**BUILD YOUR OWN VIEW CAMERA** 

by Bert West

This is a small book, self-published, with a hefty price tag. But what you get is rare information. You'll be shown how to build a working view camera. (If you haven't gotten beyond an autofocus 35mm camera, I had better explain that a view camera is that "old-fashioned" camera with the bellows that have been and still are used by the masters of photography. They're not really old-

fashioned. They're the

best.)

West will teach you how to make the front standard and lens board, all the tricks of fabricating a bellows, the ground glass assembly, the main support rail, and the other smaller components. He'll also show you (very briefly) why a view camera is so much more powerful than a handheld cam-



You'll still have to buy a lens, but you can get one fairly cheaply to get started. Some of Ansel Adam's finest, most popular photos were taken years ago with lenses that now sell inexpensively on the used market. You'll also need cut film holders. West suggests sources of supply.

The only really critical part of building the camera is getting the ground glass mechanism precisely aligned. But West shows that even this operation is not that difficult. You don't need to be a tech-

nical wizard to produce a quality working view camera for a fractional of the cost of new unit.

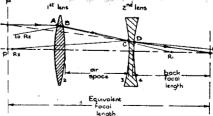
You get lots of photos and drawings. A word of advice: I've seen similar books on unusual topics come on the market sell for a while and then disappear because demand was not strong enough to print more. This might be one of them. It's here today, but will it be in five years? Not a bad book. And certainly not a bad camera. Get a copy, and start building. 5 1/2 x 8 1/2 softcover 112 pages

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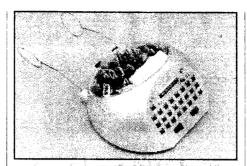


in the early days of amateur radio. They call it QRP and love the challenge.

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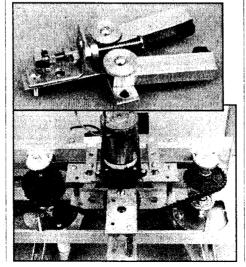
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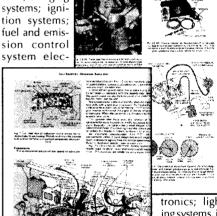
Pop the hood on your car, and you'll find that it's as much electronic as it is mechanical. Gone are the simple, even the complicated, carburetors. These days fuel efficiency demands fuel injection. Clean air laws demand computer controlled air/ fuel ratios. It's getting complicated.

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Sealing Nut

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tling and repairing batteries. You get full details on how to charge batteries, plus a chapter on their use covering auto starting and lighting, electric autos, railroad use, street cars, mines and even WWI submarines!

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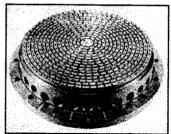
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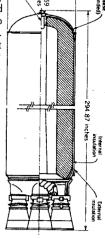
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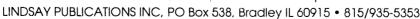
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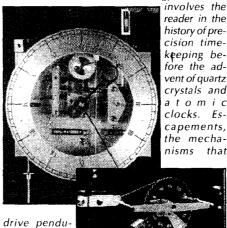


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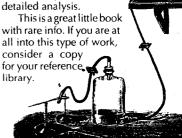
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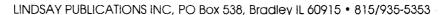
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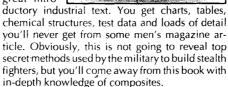
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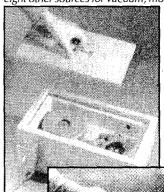
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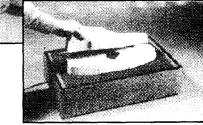
The author wrote me:

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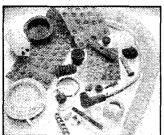
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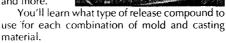
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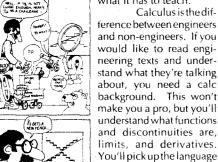


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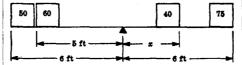
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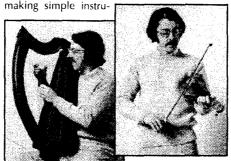
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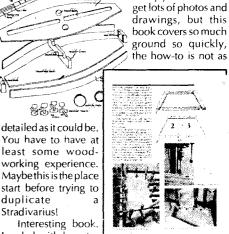
Actually the first third of this book is about



ments for kids like a beach bottle banjo, washtub bass, or flowerpot bells. But the back two thirds goes into making instruments like a hammered dulcimer, fretless banjo, plucked Appalachian Mountain Dulcimer, Tear-Drop Fiddle and Celtic harp.

Chapters include simple stringed instruments, wind instruments, percussion instruments, complex stringed instruments along with appendices of charts tables, suppliers and the rest.

How great are these instruments? Not the best, I'm sure, but something you would nonetheless be proud to say you built. You get lots of photos and drawings, but this book covers so much



Loaded with how-to. Get a copy, build an instrument, and ruin people's hearing. (And have fun doing it.) A lot of info for the

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Some of the articles you get are: a shop-built lathe duplicator, how to make a wooden flute, oldfashioned turners' gauges, the Louisville Slugger, building a spinning wheel, what bobbins do, coopered columns, ornamental turning, Holtzapffel revisited, buy the parts and build the bed, turning without a lathe, woodturning on a metal lathe, and much more.

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#### LATHES AND TURNING TECHNIQUES

by the editors of Fine Woodworking Magazine

Great articles reprinted from the magazine. Color photos throughout. Great info!

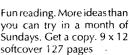
I counted 36 articles with titles like: production tips from an architectural turner, tool rests and turning tactics, boatbuilder's bowls, turning large vessels, lathe duplicators, efficient spindle turning,

the Old Schwamb Mill, Vermont Turning School, chasing large wooden threads, economy lathes, heavyweight lathes, the bowl gouge, woodturning chisels, chucks for woodturning, backvard timber, and much more.

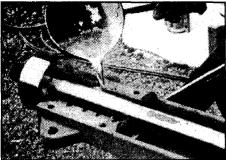
A couple of articles of interest are those that will show you how to build a woodturning lathe: a beer-box lathe and shopmade lathes (a big one!). You really don't have to sell the kids to the gypsies to raise the money to buy a lathe. You can build one. Fascinating ideas from people who have done it.

Great how-to.





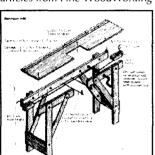
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by im Tolpin

"A Craftsman's Guide to Tool Chests, Cabinets

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Tool freaks have to have a way to store their valuables. Right? I hate to admit it, but the tool chests in this fine book are far, far better than any tools I own. The truth is, these are works of art. Even if you never build one of this quality, it's inspiring (or damned depressing) to see the tool chests true craftsmen are producing.

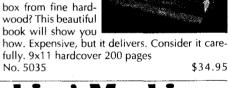
Chapters include: tool boxes and building of a nation, traditional-style tool chests, a student toolchest project, designing in-shop tool storage, wall cabinets, standing tool cabinets, rolling tool carts, designing site boxes, open shoulder totes, lidded



wheeled site boxes. toolbox for the road, and more.

This is an expensive, highquality, coffee-tablestyle book loaded with quality photos, as well as informative how-to. So what do you do with YOUR tools? Throw them in a gunny sack? Tain't it about time vou did them justice and built a fine tool box from fine hardwood? This beautiful

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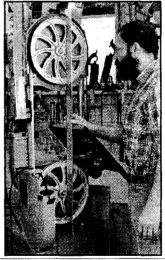
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You get a chapter on the table saw, radial-arm saw, bandsaw, jointer and planer, drill press, and the router and shaper. You also get chapters on stock preparation and joinery.



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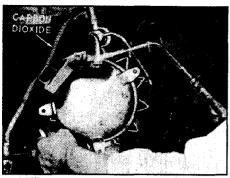
Make a barrel. Go ahead! I dare you! Think about it. You take lumber, cut it into

a number of curved, tapered staves, install circular end boards and hold it all together with iron bands. And on top of that, everything has to be so finely fitted that the finished product is water tight!

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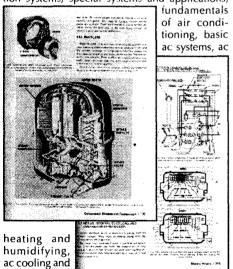
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by Paul R. Hill

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For the next twentyfive years, Hill acted as an unofficial clearing house at NASA, collecting and analyzing sightings reports for physical properties, propulsion possibilities, dynamics, etc. To refute claims that UFOs defy the laws of physics he had to make 'technological sense...of the unconventional object."

After his retirement from NASA, Hill finally

completed his remarkable analysis. In Unconventional Flying Objects, published posthumously, he presents his findings that UFOs "obey, not defy, the laws of physics." Vindicating his own sighting and thousands of others, he proves that UFO technology is not only explainable, but attainable.



Chapters include: how hot is UFO radiation?, energetic particle ejection as propulsion possibility, transmission of forces, direct evidence of force field propulsion, propulsion oddities, saucer dynamics, silent subsonic operation, aerodynamic heating of UFO's, UFO artifacts, the Humanoid occupants, and much

I'm a UFO skeptic. It's all bunk as far as I'm concerned. But

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Interesting book. No doubt about it. I'm sure crazies will use this as proof for their theories just like certain other people are determined to prove that the Shroud of Turin is for real. Truth is, neither this book nor the shroud is going to

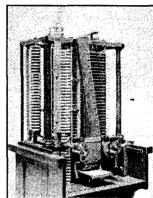
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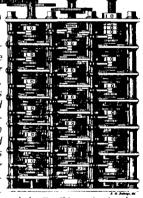
Babbage was designing in the 1840's. Yes, 1840's. He was curious about almost everything, but was especially interested in mechanical devices.

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first 130 pages or so are extracted from his long outof-print autobiography.

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Just about anywhere you open the book you'll something fascinating. He starts out with a brief history of time, how the days of the week got their names, how we measure time, length and on and on. Did you know in Thailand the unit of measure is the Nin and .0212 meter in length? That we buy oil in 42 gallon barrels and wine in 31.5 gallon bar-

How about a short history

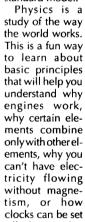
of thermometer's, phlogiston, genealogy of the Bernoulli family, or how chemists came to believe in atoms? Do you remember a TV program years ago with James Burke called Connections? This book reminds me of that. This is popular history, real physics (yes, with problems), gossip and all kinds of fun things.

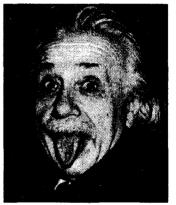
I'm fascinated by Erwin Schrodinger's equation which shows the wave function of an object moving in response to a force, in other words, it tells us how a photon can be a particle, yet act like a wave. Glashow tells us that Schrodinger slipped away in 1925 to write leaving his wife in Vienna. But the first thing he wrote was a letter to one of his old girlfriends in Vienna. She joined him. We don't exactly know who she was or what she was doing, but over the next twelve months Schrodinger cranked out an amazing

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Niehls Bohr dirt biking in a suit!

If I had a tongue like this, I could rule the world!

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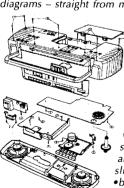
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Junk computers are available. You can recycle them using this. It covers the old and the new and gives technical details, specifications, error codes that I haven't found elsewhere. It even has a pin map for that

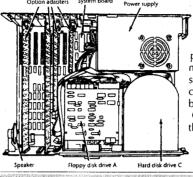
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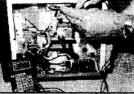
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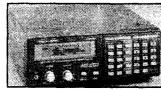
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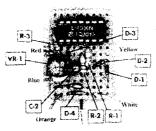
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This is wall-to-wall how-to to help you connect a scanner to your computer, add memory for scan channels, and, yes, even remove the lockouts that

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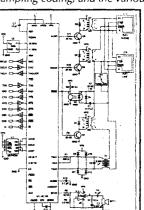
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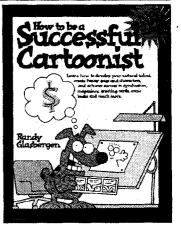
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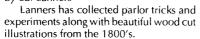
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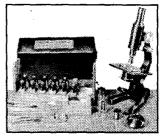
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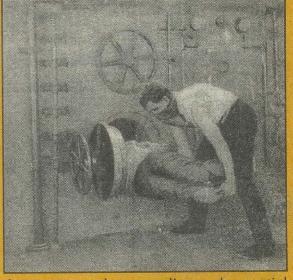
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Worse, she discovered her husband had canceled his life insurance so he could use



the money to buy supplies and essential equipment. She had no money left to bury him! And she "knew" it was Lindsay's fault.

To get even with Lindsay and his evil book business she sent her very rigid former husband via Priority Mail to Lindsay, and told him to dispose of the remains. Lindsay almost freaked out! Ever since then, he collects his mail wearing a surgical mask and rubber gloves.

The moral? Hey! Lindsay books are great, but you should periodically come out of the basement to let friends and relatives know you're still breathing! Please! Lindsay and his Postmaster don't need any more mail like this!